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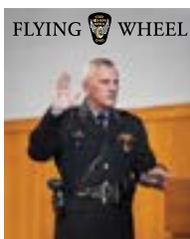
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Colonel Paul A. Pride was appointed Superintendent of the Patrol on July 31, 2013, by Ohio Department of Public Safety Director John Born.

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Our core mission over the past 80 years has been, and will continue to be, to provide the highest-quality service to the citizens of Ohio through firm and fair enforcement and professional treatment of all citizens. Hard and dangerous work is being done across the state on a daily basis and I am very appreciative of your efforts.

The tremendous success the Division has achieved since January 2011 has been a direct result of your hard work; both sworn officers and professional staff. We are heading in the right direction. Traffic crash fatalities in Ohio this year are on a record-low pace. Additionally, we have made significant year-to-date increases in important quality of life areas including drug violations (+22 percent), weapons violations (+40 percent) and total traffic contacts (+39,000). Your commitment to traffic safety and criminal interdiction for the remainder of the year can result in Ohio's safest year on record and safer Ohio neighborhoods.

People continue to die on our highways due to impaired drivers and the lack of safety belt use. Drug traffickers and other criminals continue to utilize Ohio's roadways to conduct their illicit criminal activities on a daily basis, endangering our families and destroying our communities. If we are going to continue to reduce fatalities and improve the quality of life for all the citizens of Ohio, we must continue our focus on criminal interdiction, removing impaired drivers from our roads and enforcing Ohio's safety belt law.

With that said, there is much work to be done. Going forward, we will continue the same aggressive approach of balancing traffic safety and criminal patrol operations that has been our hallmark since January 2011. We will do this through maintaining the continuity of leadership, while making slight adjustments to our operations.

Your continued support and hard work will lead this great organization through the 21st Century and beyond. By combining a long and very proud heritage of faithful service, with the leadership and resolve to face tomorrow's challenges, the Ohio State Highway Patrol will continue its reputation as a nationwide leader in law enforcement.

I truly value this organization, and I am both privileged and honored to represent you as the 18th Superintendent of the Ohio State Highway Patrol.



Colonel Paul A. Pride
Superintendent



What will you do today to contribute to a safer Ohio?

Colonel Paul A. Pride sworn in as Superintendent

Retired Colonel John Born appointed Director of Ohio Department of Public Safety

On July 31, 2013, Governor John R. Kasich announced that the Director of the Ohio Department of Public Safety Tom Charles was retiring from public service after a nearly five-decade-long career in which he led the Ohio Highway Patrol, served as Inspector General and led the Department of Public Safety.

“No single Ohioan has done so much to keep Ohioans safe and enforce the law as Tom Charles. It’s been a pleasure to serve Ohio with him and an honor to have him on my cabinet. He provided a steady hand for the Patrol when it was needed and once again showed us all what principled leadership means. I will miss him but know he’ll always be ready and willing to serve when Ohio needs him or I need him,” said Kasich.

Replacing Charles as director of the Department is former Ohio Highway Patrol Superintendent John Born. After he was sworn in, Born named Colonel Paul A. Pride Superintendent of the Patrol.

Colonel Born served the Ohio State Highway Patrol for 26 years, rising through the ranks from his start as a trooper in 1987 to his being named superintendent by Kasich in 2010. During this time, Colonel Born served in an array of leadership roles, including Agency Spokesman, Squad Leader in the Office of Investigative Services, Strategic Services Commander, Field Operations Commander for the eastern half of Ohio, and most recently, Superintendent of the Patrol.

Said Kasich, “John Born has done a great job at the Patrol, he’s highly respected throughout the law enforcement community, and he’s an outstanding person to carry on the dedicated work of Tom Charles. While Colonel Born has some big shoes to fill, he is more than capable of doing it.”

Colonel Paul Pride, a 24-year Patrol veteran and seven-year Marine veteran, joined the Patrol in 1989. After



Top: Colonel Paul A. Pride addresses guests at the Academy during promotions on August 16, 2013. Right: Governor John R. Kasich administers the oath of office to John Born on July 31, 2013, as Born is sworn in as the director of the Ohio Department of Public Safety.



serving as district commander in both Cambridge and Jackson, Colonel Pride was promoted to the rank of major in January 2011 and transferred to serve as commander of the Office of Special Operations in Columbus. In 2012, he was promoted to the second highest rank of Lt. Colonel and served as an assistant superintendent.

“Colonel Paul Pride’s appointment as the 18th Superintendent of the Ohio State Highway Patrol will provide continuity of leadership as they move forward in their mission to protect Ohioans. I am confident that he will carry on the professionalism and high standards that we have come to expect

from the Patrol,” said Kasich.

Throughout Colonel Pride’s career and continuing as assistant superintendent, his vision for criminal patrol efforts was integral on the program’s success. His direction to troopers has always been: stop cars, talk to people, sell traffic safety and look beyond the original reason for the traffic stop for signs of criminal activity.

Colonel Pride has an Associate of Applied Science degree in Law Enforcement from Ohio University. He has completed Northwestern University’s School of Police Staff and Command and training at the FBI’s National Academy.



Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety and Criminal Interdiction

New plan integrates safety and enforcement with interdiction and homeland security

The Patrol has developed a comprehensive, sustained commercial motor vehicle safety and criminal interdiction plan that could serve as a national model for state law enforcement agencies to integrate commercial vehicle safety and enforcement with criminal interdiction and homeland security without significant additional costs or personnel. It is designed to:

1. Increase safety on Ohio roads and highways;
2. Interdict criminals and life-degrading contraband; and
3. Shield and protect people, facilities and key infrastructure from potential domestic and foreign terrorist attacks utilizing commercial vehicles, particularly those carrying hazardous materials.

While it builds on existing organizational structure, operations and personnel, it also refocuses and re-prioritizes personnel toward the greatest threats to public safety while utilizing successful existing partnership and efforts such as Truck Shield. There are three major components:

1. **Commercial vehicle safety**—Improving safety on Ohio's roadways is where this all starts. To improve and build the Patrol's safety plan, the Division provided baseline commercial vehicle safety training to all personnel, and has continued the involvement of commercial enforcement units in Shield details. In addition, the Patrol is investing in infrastructure upgrades to port of entry scales locations and exploring technology that can assist in criminal interdiction and continue our involvement in national commercial vehicle safety enforcement initiatives.
2. **Criminal interdiction and cargo theft**—In order to have a significant impact on cargo theft and drug traffickers that are using commercial vehicles, the Division sent personnel to cargo theft training, and will provide additional cargo theft training to all personnel. The Patrol has developed commercial interdiction teams in Toledo, Youngstown, Marietta and Cincinnati, and will continue to build these teams on a statewide basis. These teams partner motor carrier and commercial vehicle troopers with criminal patrol units.
3. **Homeland security**—An increased focus on homeland security is a natural fit with the reprioritization of the commercial vehicle safety and criminal interdiction plan. In order to move the plan forward, the Patrol will be working closely with private sector partners like Limited Brands, CSX Railroad and Nationwide Insurance to share information and resources. The

Office of Criminal Investigations, Vehicle Theft Unit and Criminal Intel Unit are working collaboratively to share information and intelligence regarding criminal trends. All personnel have been encouraged to use the resources at the Criminal Intel Unit as this program moves forward.

Successes of the program thus far include:

1. **Cargo Theft Training**—Sgt. Tim Root and Sgt. Eli Rivera attended the Miami-Dade Police Department's Cargo Theft Seminar in April. This three-day course was designed to meet the demands placed on the modern-day cargo theft police investigator or industry security specialist. Experts in each field discussed the various investigative strategies used by law enforcement and loss prevention professionals to combat cargo theft. Instructors provided detailed instruction with practical application formats useful to the investigator on the street. The course also provided insight for task force managers on the procedures used to develop and maintain a multi-agency initiative investigating both state and federal violations of law.
2. **Commercial/Safety interdiction (Train the Trainer)**—On July 9, 2013, the Patrol hosted a combined training with criminal interdiction and commercial enforcement personnel focusing on criminal indicators and commercial vehicle safety issues. A new element that was added to this year's curriculum was the interdiction of commercial cargo theft and the criminal activity associated with large scale freight theft organizations. This program was then rolled out to field personnel with a completion date in September.
3. **DIAP**—In 2013, the Patrol, in partnership with the U.S. Department of Transportation, hosted the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Drug Interdiction Assistance Pipeline/Convoy Training Program at the Patrol's Training Academy. The Program is designed to assist law enforcement officials in the detection and apprehension of transporters and/or users of illicit drugs involving a commercial motor vehicle. The focus of the training was on the development and distribution of criminal interdiction techniques to rapidly identify in-transit commercial vehicles and drivers engaged in criminal activity. All of the Division's Criminal Patrol and Licensing and Commercial Standards personnel attended this training program.

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Public Safety Leadership Academy 13 Patrol Officers Graduate with First Class

The Public Safety Leadership Academy (PSLA) represents one of many ways in which the Highway Patrol is making Ohio better through investing in law enforcement leaders at the state, county and local levels. The PSLA is an innovative 11-week, accredited, college-level program. The course curriculum is designed so participants will be able to develop and improve the skills necessary to manage and direct any division within a law enforcement agency.

The completion of this intensive and innovative course could not have been possible without the accredited, college-level training offered at no cost through a partnership with The Ohio State University - John Glenn School of Public Affairs.

Officers from police departments, sheriff offices, the Highway Patrol and Ohio Investigative Unit (OIU) attended the course at the Training Academy from April 1 - June 14, 2013.

The specialized curriculum was part of a carefully managed course and was delivered in an intensive academic format with content in the areas of:

- Leadership and Ethics
- Interpersonal and Organizational Communication
- Public Management
- Organizational Culture and Ethics
- Human Resources Management
- Budgeting
- Organizational Behavior in Law Enforcement

During the course, students attended several enrichment nights. These executive level developmental seminars provided additional education and training in law enforcement. In

addition to the enrichment nights, students had the opportunity to visit Washington D.C. during the week of May 13-17, where they received leadership training from the U.S. Marine Corps Base in Quantico and the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Upon successful completion of the course, students received 10 semester hours of academic credit, along with a certificate in Senior Leadership through The Ohio State University - John Glenn School of Public Affairs.

The coursework, from the enrichment nights and community outreach efforts, to the leadership week in Washington, D.C., to their direct involvement in the successful Franklin County Shield Detail, members of the PSLA engaged in a training experience unlike anything offered in the nation.

Thirty officers from around Ohio completed the initial course. The Patrol officers and OIU agent who graduated with the first class of the Public Safety Leadership Academy are:

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| S/Lt. Jeffrey Skinner | Lt. Darrin Blosser |
| Lt. Craig Cvetan | Lt. Douglas Eck |
| Lt. Vern Fisher | Lt. Aaron Gentry |
| Lt. George Harlow | Lt. Nakia Hendrix |
| Lt. Travis Hughes | Lt. Max Norris |
| Lt. James Tracy | Lt. William Weirtz |
| Asst. Agent-in-Charge Adam Johnson | |

To apply for the 2014 class, visit: statepatrol.ohio.gov/training.stm



Thirty officers from around Ohio completed the inaugural Public Safety Leadership Academy, an innovative law enforcement management training program developed by the Patrol and The Ohio State University - John Glenn School of Public Affairs.

Springfield Post Dedicated to Colonel Paul D. McClellan

Friends and family were on hand on June 21, 2013, at a ceremony to dedicate the Springfield Post to retired Colonel Paul D. McClellan. He retired as the 14th superintendent of the Ohio State Highway Patrol in March 2007, after serving more than 32 years with the Division, including eight years as the Springfield Post commander.

Known nationally for his work to reduce traffic crash deaths, Colonel McClellan's tenure as superintendent was marked by several innovative initiatives. His *LifeStat 1.0* program was recognized as one of the 10 best law enforcement initiatives in the United States and was subsequently studied and implemented by several state and international law enforcement agencies.

In his 32-year career, Colonel McClellan served at every rank. Prior to his promotion to colonel, he managed all operational aspects of the Patrol for the entire state. He is a member of the 99th Academy Class and earned his commission in 1975. As a trooper at Findlay, he was Post and District Trooper of the Year twice, and in 1981, he was State Trooper of the Year. He earned a promotion to sergeant in 1982 and was an assistant commander at the Batavia Post.

His first command assignment was at Springfield where he served 1985-1993. He transferred to General Headquarters in 1993 and moved rapidly through four management-level



Retired Colonel Paul D. McClellan and Colonel John Born unveil the plaque that will be affixed to the Springfield Post dedicating it in Colonel McClellan's honor.

positions over the next decade.

Colonel McClellan is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, FBI National Executive Institute and Franklin University. A native of Columbus, he and his wife, Margie, reside in Indiana. Their daughter, Amy, and her husband, Randy, have twin boys, Michael and Gabriel.

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4. District Commercial Interdiction Tactical Squads—This summer the Patrol initiated Tac Squad operations that for the first time paired up Criminal Patrol Units with License Commercial Standards Units to target criminal activity in the commercial trucking industry. These squads are able to draw on the knowledge, experience and strengths of the separate disciplines to create a well-rounded enforcement team that is better able to identify potential criminal activity related the commercial transportation industry.
5. Cargo Theft Task Force—Following the training received at the Miami-Dade Cargo Theft Seminar in April, the Patrol spearheaded the creation of the first Cargo Theft Task Force in Ohio. This task force has brought together law enforcement from all levels and private industry to target this growing problem. With the cooperation of law enforcement and private industry partners such as Limited Brands and Target to name a few, the task force has initiated bait trailer sting operations throughout the state.

Ohioans Embrace Truck Shield, Community Shield Programs



Truck Shield, launched on May 24, 2012, and Community Shield, on July 12, 2012, have been well received by citizens around Ohio, the media, and by the law enforcement community. Both programs offer training in impaired driver detection, criminal patrol, homeland security and human trafficking specifically designed for either community members or professional truck drivers. Combined, nearly 7,000 Ohioans have been trained in 192 trooper-led training sessions across the state.

The Patrol will be presenting the Truck Shield program at the 2013 C.A.R.E. International Conference in Louisville, Ky., on October 8, 2013. These two successful programs have provided the Patrol with an opportunity to reach out and build relationships in the private sector and within our communities. It provides citizens with valuable information that can help themselves stay safe and help law enforcement in the daily mission of contributing to a safer Ohio.

Recent Criminal Patrol Successes

August 13: Troopers find victims of human trafficking

Troopers stopped a 2012 Nissan Versa, with California registration, for a speed violation eastbound on Interstate 80, near milepost 57, in Lucas County. Troopers detected an odor of raw marijuana coming from the vehicle. A probable cause search revealed marijuana and a loaded handgun. Further investigation revealed paraphernalia associated with the sex trade. Upon contact with the female passengers, a 21-year-old California woman and a 25-year-old Arizona woman, they admitted to being forced into prostitution.

July 17: Troopers seize \$4.1 million worth of marijuana



A trooper working the Ohio Turnpike in Wood County observed a rented 2014 Subaru following too closely to a motorhome that was also following the vehicle in front of it too closely. The trooper attempted to stop both vehicles at 9:04 a.m., but was only able to stop the Subaru at milepost 71. Upon contact with the driver, the trooper detected an odor of raw marijuana coming from the vehicle and observed marijuana on the driver's pants. During a probable cause search of the vehicle, the trooper located \$9,720 in bundles of U.S. currency.

Further investigation revealed the motorhome and the occupants of the Subaru were traveling together. Troopers located the motorhome at 9:33 a.m. in a service plaza. Troopers initiated a traffic stop for the original following too closely violation. During contact with the occupants of the motorhome, troopers detected an odor of raw marijuana. A probable cause search revealed 907 pounds of marijuana worth \$4,117,780 and \$4,188 in U.S. currency.

June 25: Troopers seize marijuana, heroin, Ecstasy, Rx pills and liquid codeine

Troopers stopped a 2006 Dodge for a following too closely violation on Interstate 75 in Miami County. Upon approaching the vehicle, troopers detected an odor of raw marijuana coming from inside the vehicle. A probable cause search of the vehicle revealed a cardboard box containing two pounds of marijuana, more than nine grams of heroin, 143 prescription pills, 993 Ecstasy pills and 320 milliliters of liquid codeine, with a combined value of more than \$29,600.

June 20: Troopers make largest seizure of Rx pills in Patrol history



Troopers received reports of a vehicle driving recklessly on Interstate 75 in Montgomery County and subsequently stopped a 2000 Oldsmobile for a marked lanes violation. The driver was subsequently arrested for OVI. An administrative inventory of the vehicle revealed a bag containing Methadone, Oxycodone, Hydrocodone and Alprazolam pills, in addition to 148 Suboxone Strips. In all, Patrol troopers seized 17,260 dosage units of prescriptions pills, worth approximately \$338,000.

The next largest seizure of prescription pills occurred in January 2013, when troopers seized 6,641 pills following a Scioto County traffic stop.

May 17: Troopers seize loaded handgun, heroin, marijuana and ecstasy



Troopers with the Canton Post were conducting an OVI checkpoint in the city of Akron. During interaction with the suspect troopers detected an odor of alcohol and the vehicle was diverted into the diversion area. Troopers also detected an odor of raw marijuana. When asked if he had marijuana on his person, he voluntarily surrendered a small bag containing a gram of marijuana from his shorts pocket. A probable cause search of his person also revealed eight grams of heroin, 18 ecstasy pills and a small scale. A search of the vehicle revealed a loaded 9 mm handgun beneath the driver's seat. The contraband has an estimated street value of \$1,400.

Recent Vehicle Theft Unit Successes

Warren District Vehicle Theft and Fraud Unit



The Cleveland Vehicle Theft and Fraud Unit (VTFU) was contacted by the Cleveland Police Department after they received a tip from a city cleanup crew that discovered what they believed to be an active chop shop in an abandoned warehouse. Cleveland police detectives turned the case over to the Patrol and the VTFU recovered three pieces of heavy construction equipment, one with the motor removed, worth an estimated \$40,000, as well as parts of six vehicles in various stages of disassembly. Evidence was collected, processed and submitted to BCI for analysis.



The Warren District Salvage Facility conducted an inspection on a 2013 homemade motorcycle and determined the front lower forks were stolen in 2005 from a 2002 Harley Davidson. Warren District VTFU investigators seized the motorcycle and obtained purchase receipts from eBay indicating the parts had been sold several times prior to being seized. The parts were eventually tracked from Ohio to North Carolina and then back to Ohio where a suspect has been identified. The investigation is ongoing.

All troopers are encouraged to look closely at VIN plates and Federal Identification Decals as well as pay close attention for indicators of fraud. Troopers with questions are encouraged to contact their local VTFU.

Columbus District Vehicle Theft and Fraud Unit



The Columbus Vehicle Theft Unit provided assistance to the Illinois State Police – Midwest Cargo Theft Task Force with an ongoing cargo theft investigation. Seven cartons on Specialized bicycles totaling \$28,000 were stolen from their containers and replaced with lower end bicycles. VTUF troopers conducted interviews and collected forensic evidence to assist in the investigation. It was determined the thefts occurred in the Chicago area and the case is ongoing.

Wilmington District Vehicle Theft and Fraud Unit



In early August, Brown County Sheriff's deputies pursued two suspects who fled on foot. Inside their vehicle were multiple unused engine blocks and engine parts. The Wilmington Vehicle Theft and Fraud Unit (VTFU) was asked for assistance and ultimately identified the parts as being manufactured engine parts that had never been used and were stolen from inside the Honda Manufacturing Plant. Honda Security is assisting with the investigation.

The Wilmington VTFU has initiated 44 criminal investigations in 2013 and recovered 11 stolen vehicles. The total value of recovered stolen property is \$105,825.00.

Recent Ohio Investigative Unit Successes

TRACE-BACK/NLLEA

It has been eight months since the Patrol and the Ohio Investigative Unit (OIU) have integrated. One of the reasons for the integration was to utilize agents to investigate trace-back investigations. Trace-back investigations focus on the source of where the alcohol was obtained in violation of the law, which resulted in a serious crash or fatality.

Agents are notified as soon as possible by troopers or local law enforcement agencies across Ohio after determining that alcohol was involved in the fatality. This enables agents to respond to the scene and collect evidence as their investigation begins to trace back the source of alcohol.

OIU has secured federal funding to investigate these trace-back investigations that occur outside of an agent's normal shift. The unit is also in the process of developing brochure type information for local law enforcement agencies designed to be carried in officers' pinch books. This information will include contact information and call out phone numbers enabling enforcement agents to respond to the scene and assist if needed.

Ohio is one of the leading states across the country in conducting trace-back investigations. Trace-back or what is nationally referred to as source investigations have increased dramatically nationwide with the National Liquor Law Enforcement Association (NLLEA) taking on a leadership role.

OIU Deputy Director Richard Cologie has served on the NLLEA Executive Board for the last five years. During this time Cologie has provided valuable insight as NLLEA continued to move forward securing a partnership with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.



Richard Cologie

NLLEA actively supports and provides training to conduct source investigations across the country. NLLEA President Ted Mahony, Chief of Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, addressed members at NLLEA's Annual Conference in Phoenix, Ariz., in August, stressing the importance of holding licensees accountable for the responsible sale and/or furnishing of alcoholic beverages.

"It is our objective to reduce impaired driving and the tragedies associated with it through effective enforcement of alcohol laws," Mahony said. "Source investigations are an important aspect of the work we do to prevent impaired driving."

Trace-back Cases as of July 25, 2013

Cases closed unfounded	30
Cases closed via administrative citation	3
Cases closed via arrest	5
Cases closed via administrative citation and arrest	3
Open cases	17
Total	58

SkyWatch

If you made your way to the Ohio State Fair, there is a good chance you saw the two SkyWatch Portable Surveillance Towers by FLIR Integrated Systems recently purchased by OIU. The two towers were each purchased for \$135,640 to watch over large gatherings in Ohio.



The Frontier Two-Man tower elevates 25 feet in the air and has 30-day continuous DVR capability, as well as still surveillance camera ability. The tower has the ability to run heat or air conditioning, and can run on electricity or by generator.

Internet Casino



Former Public Safety Director Thomas P. Charles and Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Timothy J. McGinty address members of the Cleveland media during a search warrant at one of the last original Internet gambling casinos in Cuyahoga County.

In July, OIU agents and the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office conducted a search warrant on one of the last of the original 52 Internet gambling casinos operating in Cuyahoga County. During the search warrant at the Lucky Palms 777 in Cleveland, agents seized 30 player terminals. Officers with the Parma Heights Police Department, U.S. Postal Inspectors and the U.S. Secret Service also took part in the search warrant.

"These Internet casinos add no value to the state of Ohio," said recently retired Ohio Department of Public Safety Director Thomas P. Charles. He noted that a large chunk of profits made by the clubs go to out-of-state interests that supply software for the games.

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Post 96 Personnel Combat Vehicle Break-ins at Ohio Expo Center

In recent years, the Ohio Exposition Center had been plagued with vehicle break-ins and thefts. Larceny was the number one case offense for 2011 and 2012. Almost every event held on the grounds suffered at least one theft or vehicle break-in.

Post personnel developed a plan to address the problem. The following components were implemented for Post 96's "Contributing to a Safer Ohio" theft reduction plan:

- Look, Lock and Leave signs created by Post 96 personnel were posted in the north lot by the Ohio Exposition Center.
- The police officer bicycle patrol pilot program was implemented. The bike patrol is used in parking areas of every major event.
- Utilization of the golf carts gives police officers the ability to drive through areas not accessible with patrol cars.
- In cooperation with the Columbus Crew and the Ohio Exposition Center, a minimum of two units now patrol the north lot for each Columbus Crew home game.
- High visibility patrols are utilized during peak event hours through all Ohio Exposition parking lots.
- A Safety and Security Committee with Expo personnel now meets monthly to address trends and concerns specific to public safety.
- Line assignments comprise routine facility and parking lot checks during each shift.

- Unmarked enforcement vehicles are deployed during high traffic events.

Year-to-date, the Ohio Exposition Center has realized a 70 percent reduction in thefts and break-ins, mainly due to the actions and dedication of Patrol police officers. During the 2013 Ohio State Fair, with the assistance of the police officer bicycle patrol, for the first time, the Fair detail took no reports on break-ins or thefts from motor vehicles, even while setting attendance records.



In addition to working inside the Expo Center, bicycle unit police officers also patrol parking lots to combat vehicle break-ins.

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Ohio State Fair Enforcement



OIU agents conducted search warrants for counterfeit goods and also drugs during the 2013 Ohio State Fair. Agents were able to purchase counterfeit perfume from a vendor inside the Bricker Building. Agents subsequently seized more than 3,000 bottles of perfume from the booth and a delivery truck. Two people were charged with trademark counterfeiting.

During the fair, agents also charged five people with trafficking marijuana and 10 others with alcohol and drug offenses.

This was OIU's first full-length Ohio State Fair assignment. Four agents and an assistant agent-in-charge worked the detail with the Patrol.

10TV Phone Bank

On July 11, representatives from OIU and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) participated in a 10TV Phone Bank during evening news casts on Columbus' CBS affiliate to bring awareness to food stamp fraud.

Deputy directors Rich Cologie, Robert Booker and Mark Bentley, Agent-in-Charge Eric Wolf, and ODJFS staff took at least 86 calls, including 10 viable tips on retailers. Complaints about recipients were directed to ODJFS.

Because of the success of the event, both OIU and ODJFS expressed interest in doing more phone banks in other areas of Ohio.

Summer Concerts

Each year, OIU agents spend several days enforcing Ohio's alcohol laws at three major multi-day concert events. This year, Cincinnati District agents charged 74 people, mostly with underage alcohol violations, during Country Concert at Hickory Hill Lakes in Fort Loramie. During Jamboree in the Hills in Belmont County, agents from the Athens District charged 89 people, mostly with underage alcohol violations. Finally, at the All Good Festival at Legend Valley, agents with the Columbus District Office charged 73 people, mostly with alcohol and drug violations.

Patrol Recognized by El Paso Intelligence Center

The Patrol was one of 10 agencies honored at the Annual Motor Vehicle Criminal Interdiction Training & Intelligence Sharing Meeting on August 13, 2013, for “lawfully interdicting vehicles and drivers engaged in major ongoing criminal activity.”

The Patrol also earned this award last year for efforts to report seizure statistics to the El Paso Intelligence Center (EPIC). The award is a direct reflection of the dedication of personnel assigned to the Criminal Patrol Unit and all officers who have been dedicated to Criminal Patrol.

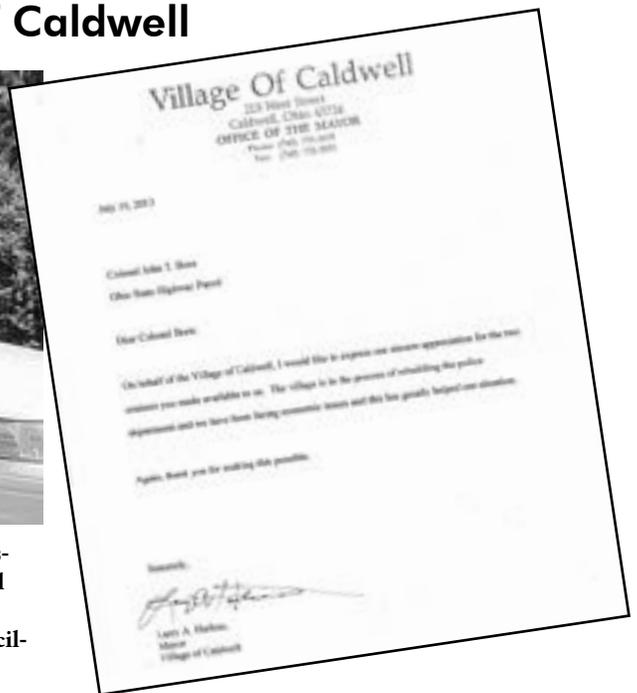


Criminal Patrol commander Capt. Richard S. Fambro (second from left) accepted an award on behalf of the Patrol at the Annual Motor Vehicle Criminal Interdiction Training & Intelligence Sharing Meeting.

Patrol Vehicles Donated to Village of Caldwell



On July 19, the Patrol and the Ohio Department of Public Safety transferred two police cruisers to the Village of Caldwell. From left: Colonel John Born, Ohio Department of Public Safety Assistant Director Joe Montgomery, Caldwell Police Chief Paul McKahan and Caldwell Councilman Freddie Powell.



Donation Made to National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial



On August 13, 2013, the Patrol donated \$15,000 to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund in Washington, D.C., to assist with building a museum. The donation was money received from drug forfeitures.

From left: Director John Born, Ohio Department of Public Safety; Craig W. Floyd, chairman and CEO of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, Colonel Paul A. Pride; and John Shanks, acting senior director of Development and Law Enforcement Relations for the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund.



Patrol and Columbus motorcycle units escorted the final leg of the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium.

Tangie Montgomery posted the following message on the Patrol Facebook page:

“Just wanted to say my son Jacob participated in the Torch Run today in Cambridge, what a great experience! Thanks for all the time you guys spend raising money and awareness for the athletes who participate in Special Olympics.”

2013 Special Olympics

LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN

Patrol personnel from all over the state participated in the 2013 Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run June 21 - 28, 2013. Relay teams set out from Athens, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Marietta and Toledo, with several community satellite legs throughout the state.

The teams ran and biked their way to Columbus and the Ohio State Highway Patrol Training Academy. The final leg from the Academy to the Ohio Special Olympics Opening Ceremony at Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium at The Ohio State University culminated with the final passing of the torch to the Spe-

cial Olympics athletes and signified the official start to the Summer Games.

Troopers and police officers from all over Ohio carried the “Flame of Hope” through over 150 communities, creating awareness of Special Olympics and raising funds for the program. The Law Enforcement Torch Run is the single largest year-round fundraising event benefiting Special Olympics Ohio. The annual intrastate relay and its various fundraising projects have two goals: to raise money and to gain awareness for the athletes who participate in Special Olympics Ohio.



Jacob and Tpr. Deanne McInerney carry the torch. Jacob is the nephew of Kathy Montgomery, Cambridge District Headquarters.



Troopers Steven Ilo, Christina Hayes, Nate Ward, Jeremy Grilott and Rachel Simmons participated in the Warren County satellite leg of the Torch Run. Troopers Hayes, Ward and Simmons teamed up with the Lebanon Correctional Institution to raise \$4,721 for Special Olympics.



Participants in the Cambridge satellite leg.

Summer Programs Help Students Explore Law Enforcement Careers

Buckeye Boys/Girls State

As part of the Division's long-standing affiliation with the American Legion, troopers participated in the Buckeye Boys State and Buckeye Girls State programs to provide students entering their senior year of high school a hands-on experience in the operation of the democratic form of government, the organization of political parties and the relationship of one to the other in shaping Ohio government.

Both programs feature an Ohio State Highway Patrol made up of students under the direction of active troopers. The boys' program was June 10-16, at Bowling Green State University and the girls' program was June 16-22, at the University of Mount Union.

At Boys State, Allan Metz, son of retired Tpr. Ken Metz, was one of two boys chosen to represent Ohio at the American Legion Boys Nation program at Marymount University in Arlington, Va., July 19-27.

Junior Cadet Week

Jointly sponsored by the Ohio State Highway Patrol Auxiliary, the Ohio American Legion and the Ohio American Legion Auxiliary, the Junior Cadet program provides young men and women with an interest in law enforcement insight into the issues peace officers face in their jobs. It is a one-time opportunity available only to Buckeye Boys State and Buckeye Girls State attendees. Relatives of Patrol employees are also eligible. Twenty-two relatives of current or retired employees were part of the 2013 Junior Cadet class. Junior Cadet Week was June 23 - 27, 2013.



Tpr. Shawn Cook at Buckeye Boys State.



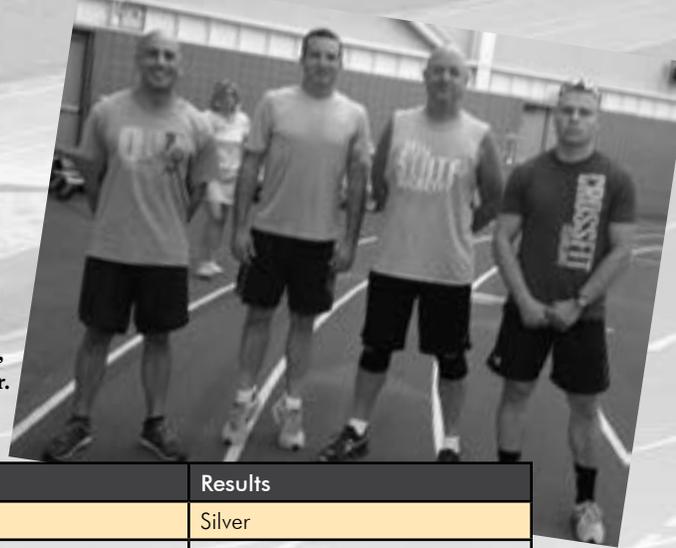
The Buckeye Girls State Highway Patrol.



Forty-eight high school seniors-to-be participated in Junior Cadet Week at the Training Academy.

Ohio Police & Fire Games

The Ohio Police and Fire Games were held June 9-14, 2013, in Oberlin. The purpose of the games is to support the physical and mental fitness of Ohio's active and retired law enforcement, firefighter and military personnel through the development, organization and coordination of sporting events. More than two dozen Patrol officers competed.



Lt. A. DeChoudens, Capt. C.J. Zurcher, Maj. J.H. Bistor, and Tpr. J.H. Weasner.
Maj. Bistor ran a 7.7 in the 60 meters to win a gold medal.

Results from Oberlin

Participant Name	Post Assignment	Event	Results
Tpr. M.P. Franzdorf	Defiance Post	Motocross	Silver
Tpr. J.J. Ross	Swanton Post	Golf – Team & Individual	Bronze, Silver
Lt. C. Enderby	Mansfield Post	20-mile Cycling Road Race	Silver
Tpr. K.E. McClintock	Wooster Post	20-mile Cycling Road Race	Gold
Tpr. E. Williams	Mansfield Post	Jujitsu No Gi/Submission Wrestling	Gold
Lt. A. DeChoudens	Sandusky Post	Run – 60, 100, 4x200	Silver, Bronze, Silver
Sgt. E.D. Short	Sandusky Post	Run – 10K	Gold
Sgt. R. Reeder	Milan Post	Softball	2nd Place Trophy
Tpr. M. Majoy	Sandusky Post	Softball	2nd Place Trophy
Sgt. L.V. Firmi	Criminal Patrol	Tactical Rifle w/(Red Dot)	Silver
Tpr. J.H. Weasner	Norwalk Post	Run – 60, 100, 200, 400, 800, 1500, 320, 4x200	Silver, Bronze, Silver, Silver, Silver, Silver, Silver, Gold
Tpr. J.E. Daley	Special Operations	Sniper Competition	Silver
Capt. C.J. Zurcher	Warren DHQ	Run – 5K, 1500, 400, 4x200; Corn Hole	Gold, Gold, Gold, Silver, Bronze
Tpr. C. Dunn	Ashtabula Post	Hunter Class 3D Archery	DNP
Tpr. C. Emery	Ashtabula Post	Hunter Class 3D Archery	DNP
Tpr. D. Bolen	Warren Post	Hunter Class 3D Archery	Silver
Sgt. J. Bonar	Warren Post	Hunter Class 3D Archery	Gold
Sgt. M. Wilson	Canfield Post	Hunter Class 3D Archery	Bronze
Sgt. C. Brock	Cuyahoga Metro	Bowling	4th Place Individual
Tpr. D. Simpson	Cleveland Investigations	Bowling	DNP Team
Tpr. J. Kaess	Cleveland Investigations	Bowling	DNP Team
Tpr. C. Ausse	Cleveland Investigations	Bowling	DNP Team
MRW II L. Firmi	Warren DHQ	Tactical Rifle Optics	Silver
Tpr. J.T. Cooper	Steubenville Post	Golf – Two-Man Scramble	Bronze
Lt. J.T. Landis	Cincinnati Ops.	Trap Shooting – 16-yard Team, Handicap Team, Doubles, Individual; Corn Hole	Bronze, Bronze, Bronze, Bronze, Bronze, Silver
Sgt. T.L. Callahan	Cincinnati Ops./ATU	Trap Shooting – 16-yard Team, Handicap Team	Bronze, Bronze
Tpr. S.R. Taylor	Batavia Post	Triathlon	Bronze
Maj. J.H. Bistor	Field Operations	Run – 60; High Jump; Javelin; Corn Hole	Gold, Silver, Silver, Silver
FCSp1 C.M. McGee	OIS/Computer Crimes	Combat Pistol, Steel Challenge	DNP

Tpr. M.P. Franzdorf.



Tpr. J. Kaess, Sgt. C. Brock, Tpr. C. Ausse, Tpr. D. Simpson.



Tpr. D. Bolen, Sgt. J. Bonar, and Sgt. M. Wilson.



PATROL FAMILY & FRIENDS, PAST & PRESENT:

YOU ARE INVITED

To mark the 80th Anniversary of the Ohio State Highway Patrol, the Highway Patrol Retirees' Association, Ohio State Highway Patrol Auxiliary and the State Highway Patrol Federal Credit Union are sponsoring and hosting a celebration on November 16, 2013, at the Aladdin Shrine Center in Columbus.

A social hour will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner and dancing. The cost for the event is \$50 per person. **Apparel for the evening is cocktail attire.** Patrol merchandise and 80th Anniversary items will be available for purchase during the event.

Reservations

Registration forms are available on the Highway Patrol Retirees' Association's website at oshpretiree.org; at the main office of the State Highway Patrol Federal Credit Union; or the Auxiliary Store or the satellite office of the State Highway Patrol Federal Credit Union, both located at the Patrol's Academy. Registration and payment are due by November 1, 2013, and should be forwarded to the State Highway Patrol Federal Credit Union, 6161 Busch Blvd #215, Columbus, OH 43229. Checks should be payable to the "State Highway Patrol Federal Credit Union". Please include an e-mail address or phone number on the registration form or enclose a self-addressed postage-paid envelope to receive confirmation of your reservation.

Reserved Seating

Reserved seating for eight will be given first priority. However, to guarantee seating, full payment must be received

at the time of reservation. Additional reservations for couples and individuals wishing to sit together as a group will also be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. In order to honor small group requests, all names and payment in full must be submitted together on one registration form. Every effort will be made to honor group seating requests, however, seating is not guaranteed unless a table of eight is paid in full. Early bookings are recommended, particularly for groups.

If you have questions about the event, please contact Sylvia Martinez at smartinez@dps.state.oh.us or 614-752-4672.

ENTER TO WIN!

At the event, the sponsors will be raffling a Remington 870 12-gauge shotgun, engraved with the 80th Anniversary logo. This shotgun will be one of only two produced. The other shotgun will be housed in the Patrol's armory. Sponsors will also raffle a Smith & Wesson M&P Shield 40 Caliber semi-automatic pistol and a case engraved with the Patrol's 80th Anniversary logo. Tickets will only be available at the event and will be \$10 each. You must be present to win.

The State Highway Patrol Federal Credit Union also will raffle a basket of 80th Anniversary merchandise. Tickets will be \$5 each and 100 percent of the proceeds will be donated to the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Ohio. Tickets will be available the night of the event and you will not need to be present to win.

GET YOUR ANNIVERSARY MERCHANDISE!

The Auxiliary Store at the Academy has 80th Anniversary items, including limited-edition challenge coins, lapel buttons, T-shirts and engraved knives. The Auxiliary Store is open Mondays from 5 - 7 p.m. and Wednesdays from noon - 1 p.m. For questions about merchandise, please contact Auxiliary Colonel Art Wilson at alwilson@dps.state.oh.us.



Challenge coins have the Patrol patch on one side and the 80th logo on the other for \$9 each.



T-shirts come in two designs:

- The \$10 gray silkscreen shirts feature a large faded version of the 80th logo.
- The \$12 transfer-print shirts come in black or gray and feature a small 80th logo.



Knives are laser engraved with the 80th logo:

- \$15 for the popular "rescue" knife.
- \$35-40 for high-quality Kershaw knives.



Lapel pins feature the 80th logo with U.S. and Ohio flags for \$3 each.

Certificate of Recognition

Tpr. Thomas G. Cassity, Chillicothe, received a Certificate of Recognition for heroic actions at the scene of a crash. On June 24, 2013, Tpr. Cassity responded to a report of a head-on collision on C.R. 51 in Pike County. Tpr. Cassity and Deputies Jim Burchet and Joel Jenkins from the Pike County Sheriff's Office were the first emergency responders to arrive at the scene.



Thomas G. Cassity

The officers found one of the vehicles engulfed in flames with the driver and front passenger trapped inside and a seriously injured 14-year-old boy in the backseat. The officers quickly removed the boy from the vehicle, and then focused their efforts on the two women trapped in the car.

In dangerous conditions and without regard for their personal safety, Tpr. Cassity worked to free the victims while the deputies and several bystanders used fire extinguishers and buckets of water to put out the fire. Despite the heroic efforts of all involved, the two women, one of whom was pregnant, did not survive the fire. The teen boy was transported to Children's Hospital where he remained in critical condition for several days before ultimately being released.

Tpr. Robert T. Bailey, Lebanon, received a Certificate of Recognition for lifesaving actions. On May 28, 2013, Tpr. Bailey was escorting an oversized load through Licking

County when he observed an elderly woman bent over an elderly man lying in a yard on Hazelton Etna Road.

Tpr. Bailey stopped to assist and found the man unresponsive. He immediately called for emergency medical services and began performing chest compressions. When the man began to regain consciousness, Tpr. Bailey moved him to a recovery position and gave him supplemental oxygen which was provided by his wife. Emergency personnel arrived a short time later and transported him to Mt. Carmel East Hospital in Columbus.



Robert T. Bailey

Tpr. Justin P. Lister, Elyria, received a Certificate of Recognition for lifesaving actions. On May 12, 2013, Tpr. Lister was working at the Sandusky Dispatch Center when a dispatcher on her lunch break indicated she was choking.

Tpr. Lister confirmed the victim was in distress and immediately began administering the Heimlich maneuver. After several compressions, Tpr. Lister successfully dislodged the obstruction. He then provided aid and comfort to the victim until she recovered.



Justin P. Lister

National Polygraph Academy

Sgt. Gamel S. Brimah, Investigative Services, completed an intensive 10-week examiner training course through the National Polygraph Academy. Sgt. Brimah's class was hosted at the Patrols' Training Academy and consisted of 12 officers from agencies in West Virginia, Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio.



Gamel S. Brimah

The course included more than 400 hours of instruction in areas like psychology, physiology, interview and interrogation. Upon graduation, Sgt. Brimah earned the "Soaring Eagle Award," which is voted on by instructors and students to recognize the individual deemed to have displayed overall excellence in classroom achievement and, based on the skills displayed, predicted to have the greatest future impact in the polygraph field.

Only a week after completing training, Sgt. Brimah conducted his first polygraph examination. The suspect was

found to have shown deception and Sgt. Brimah subsequently obtained a confession during the post-test interrogation.

Master's Degree Earned

On May 11, 2013, **Sgt. Anetra D. Sims-Byrd**, Training Academy, earned a Master of Business Administration with a concentration on organizational management from Mount Vernon Nazarene University.



Anetra D. Sims-Byrd

The degree curriculum equips graduates with business and management skills to become a more effective leader, explore new management opportunities, drive organizational change and positively impact the future of the graduate's institution. The organizational management emphasis focuses on project management skills, organizational strategy and planning, critical thinking and leadership abilities.

By mail, e-mail and social media, citizens tell how troopers make a difference in Ohio



Tpr. Ryan Pinney made 5-year-old Bonnie's day at the Morgan County July 4th Festival.

Amanda Taylor Carter posted the following on the Patrol's Facebook page:

"This is how the conversation went at the Morgan County July 4th Festival with a 5-year-old little girl named Bonnie and an Ohio State Highway Patrol officer.

Bonnie: Mr. Officer?

Officer: Hi little girl, how are you?

Bonnie: I'm fine, thank you. Ummm, can little girls still be police officers even if they have red hair?

Officer: Well, (as he was bending down to talk to my little girl) can you keep a secret?

Bonnie: YES! I love secrets! (with a HUGE smile on her face)

Officer: (As he took off his hat and gave a wink) I have red hair too, you see. Red heads can be anything they dream to be.

My little girl walked away that night with her head held high and more determined than ever! I will probably never see this Officer again, but I am so thankful for his kindness! It's the little things like this, that makes this world a better place. A moment she or I will never forget. THANK YOU for ALL you do! "

In a follow-up e-mail with Lt. Matt Boyd, Bonnie's mom explained why Tpr. Pinney's words were so meaningful to the Carter family.

Thank you for your kind words. It made my day. I'm all for showing people what a great duty all officers do for us.

My father was a police officer in McConnelville for many years. As well as my grandfather. I suffered a great deal while I was little while waiting for my father to get off of work only to get called out again. Missed holidays, dinners, school programs, etc.

It wasn't until later in life when I became an EMT that I realized that you definitely don't do it for the money. You do it because you enjoy helping people and giving back to the community. The thrill that comes with it eventually becomes second nature.

I wish I could help communities understand that all police officers are not bad people. The men that my father worked with somehow became part of my family. They ALWAYS made me feel welcomed in the Sheriff's office.

I am now 30 years old. If I could give anything back to the deputies (past and present) and their families of Morgan County, it would be this picture. To me, this picture represents so much more than the "oath" an officer takes. An oath to stand for the community and to let communities feel safe. This picture, to me represents security.

You see, this little girl in the picture is from Fairfield County. My husband and I are adopting her and her three siblings. They had a VERY traumatic past with their birth parents. One of the last things my children remember is "the police" taking them. Their birth parents had it sketched in these innocent children's eyes that any kind of officer is "BAD" and to NEVER trust them, and that they would take them to jail.

Now, you and I both know how ridiculous this is – the fact that this is the reality for so many children is ridiculous. It wasn't until this KIND and GENTLE officer took his time to smile at my little girl that she for once became unafraid and trusting of an officer. I took this picture because I felt this was a HUGE milestone for her to cross. One of the only times I have seen her willingly walk up to an officer. When I looked through my pictures later that evening and came across this one, I have to admit that I teared up.

I knew then what I had to do. I wanted to ease the pain of the families that have had or currently have husbands and/or wives out in the field working, missing holidays, dinners, school programs, etc.

I want them to know how PROUD they should be of them. That this is one of many reasons they do what they do. My only wish is that this officer knows how he changed my little girl FOREVER! And I will be FOREVER grateful!

– Amanda Taylor Carter

More mail...

The Bistor Family would like to thank all of the troopers who attended Shirlee Bistor's funeral and calling hours. They saluted Shirlee as she left her church for the last time, and over 40 troopers paid their respects at the calling hours on Tuesday evening.

Shirlee is the wife of retired Cambridge Post commander Robert Bistor and the mother of Major John Bistor. The troopers were a true class act who made our day a little easier by showing their respect for the Bistor Family. Thank you to the Ohio State Highway Patrol.

— Erin Bistor-Burris



The family of retired Sergeant Anthony C. Dominic, who passed away on April 27, 2013, also wrote to express gratitude for the Patrol's support.

"My dad was ALWAYS so proud to be a member of the Ohio State Highway Patrol and seeing the support you showed for him at his funeral emphasized the family spirit you have all created. Even though it was years ago, seeing the officers in their uniforms brought back memories of my dad

coming and going to work, always looking, "spit and polish," as he would say.

I know that my dad was watching over his funeral and was so humbled by the fact that you were there to 'carry' him to his final resting place. I cannot think of anything that would have made him more pleased than to have you there to lift him up and salute all that he did year after year. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for making an extremely difficult day something to remember for so many reasons."

A sampling of messages received on the Patrol's Facebook and Twitter pages:

 www.facebook.com/ohiostatehighwaypatol

Thanks to the great response of the Ravenna Post when two young females slammed into the back of my truck then wanted to leave the scene. Drinking was an issue; the officer was very professional and handled the situation well.

Thanks to Trooper Shawn Cook for stopping and changing a flat tire on my wife's vehicle. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for all you do to make the highways safe in Ohio. I am a truck driver and see how hard it is for both of us on roads. I am proud of our State Patrol.

Thank you to Officer Adams from the Delaware County post for stopping and assisting me with a flat tire. He was more than willing and helpful to put himself in danger with oncoming traffic to change the tire. Thank you!

I would like to thank the trooper from the Chardon Post who caught the driver this morning on Rt. 44. The guy passed

 www.twitter.com/oshp

two of us doing at least 100 after tailgating us and trying to pass several times. Perfect timing, thanks for all you do!

This officer took time at the fair to stop and talk to our daughter...it really made her day! Just thought I would share.



Sgt. Jon Davis made a friend at the Ohio State Fair.

Driver Sober or Get Pulled Over

Ohio law enforcement agencies joined thousands of other highway safety partners throughout the nation to take part in the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* crackdown on impaired driving. The enforcement blitz ran August 16 through Labor Day with more than 7,000 enforcement hours and more than 900 hours of saturation patrols around the state.



Mt. Gilead Post Commander Lt. Toby Smith with Nationwide Series driver Mike Wallace and law enforcement partners at Mid-Ohio promoting the “Driver Sober or Get Pulled Over” campaign. Wallace drove the “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” Chevrolet in the Nationwide Children’s Hospital 200 at the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course on August 17.



Warren County Safe Communities Coalition kick-off.



Tri-state kick-off in Ashland, Ky.

Seatbelt Wrap Giveaway



This summer the Patrol partnered with the Cincinnati Reds and Fox Sports Ohio to give away plush seatbelt wraps at select home games. On June 16, July 21 and August 4, the first 200 fans received the wraps, which serve as a reminder for fans to always buckle up. A commercial promoting the seatbelt message also aired on Fox Sports Ohio during Reds games between May 24 and August 4.

Springfield



Sgt. Tiffany Coriell and Donna Ray of the American Legion Auxiliary. Sgt. Coriell received the 2013 Service Woman of the Year award from the American Legion Auxiliary Past Presidents Parley, Department of Ohio.

Patrol Employees Team Up for Operation Feed

The Patrol joined the rest of the Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) in the department's ongoing efforts to serve and provide for the citizens of Ohio by supporting the 2013 Operation Feed Campaign, which ran March 4 through June 14. Collectively, ODPS donated a record of 438,729 meals. The monies and food collected went to dozens of Ohio's local food banks including the Mid-Ohio Food Bank which supports local food banks in over 35 counties in Ohio. Some of the efforts of Patrol posts and GHQ sections are highlighted below.

Ashland



The Ashland Post conducted a "Can the Cruiser" event at the Ashland Buehler's and a catch-and-release fishing contest for friends and family of post employees to raise money for Operation Feed. The post collected 644 pounds of food and \$208.

Warren District



Personnel attending the Warren District's spring CD training enjoyed a barbecue lunch prepared by district radio shop and maintenance personnel with proceeds of \$425 donated to Trumbull County Domestic Violence and Visitation Services (TCDVS). From left: Tpr. Matt Fidram, MRW2 Larry Firmi, TCDVS Director Bonnie Wilson, ET3 Bill Hummell and Tpr. Kris Conaway.

Medina



The Medina Post raised \$3000 and donated more than \$2800 to Feeding Medina County's Weekenders program, which ensures children receiving free or reduced-price school lunches also have access to meals on weekends. From left: Lt. Bill Haymaker AP1 Patty Nelson, Sandy Calvert, Feeding Medina County executive director, and board president Pat Geissman.

Field Operations



Field Operations hosted Cornhole for a Cause to benefit Operation Feed and raised \$215. From left: Capt. Arthur Combest (3rd place), Major John Bistor (1st place) and Sgt. Isaac Saunders (2nd place).

Strategic Services

Dispatcher Manager Lydia Frey was selected to serve as a member on the Awards Committee and the Member and Chapter Services Committee for the Association of Public Safety Communication Officials (APCO) for the July 2013 - June 2014 term. APCO is the world's largest organization of public safety communications professionals.



Sandusky



The Annual Sandusky Post Flat Tire Picnic. From left: Glenn Peterson, Matt Manly, Kathy DiVita, Ruth Emerick, Dave Cope, Don Buehler, Kenny Berger, Larry Reichel, Steve Stierhoff, Jerri Reichel, Richard Shupp, Julie Stierhoff, Dale Meyer, Bill Maners, Don Humphrey.

Marion



Sgt. Todd Cunningham (in uniform) and his father, Tpr. Greg Cunningham (Delaware Post) participated in a *Click It or Ticket* detail at Liberty Elementary on May 23 in association with the Relay for Life cancer walk. *Click it or Ticket* magnets were passed out to the children, including, Zachary, Gabriella, and Alexandria Cunningham, and other third grade students.

Warrior Dash



Patrol personnel completed the Warrior Dash in Butler on June 1. From left: Tpr. Rick Tocash, Sgt. Brandon Cruz (with wife and daughter), Tpr. Bryan Mangin, Tom Karshner (Sgt. Cruz's brother-in-law), Sara Burnam, Tpr. Nick Malo, Lydia Frey and Tpr. James Fraley.

Bring Your Child to Work Day



Children of Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) and Ohio Department of Transportation employees joined ODPS Assistant Director Joe Montgomery in spreading the *Click It or Ticket* message during the agencies' Bring Your Child to Work Day on May 17.

Brian W. Landis

S/Lt. Brian W. Landis, Fiscal Services, retired on August 16, 2013, after 33 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in August 1980 as a communications technician assigned to the Columbus Communications Center. In March 1984, he became a cadet dispatcher assigned to the Delaware Post. He became a member of the 113th Academy Class in April 1984. He earned his commission in September of that year and was assigned to the Swanton Post, where he received an Auto Larceny Certificate of Recognition in 1987. As a trooper, he served at the Marion Post; in the Office of Strategic Services, where he earned another Certificate of Recognition in 1992; and in the Office of Personnel. In 1995, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant and remained in the Office of Personnel. In 1999, he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and in 2004, he was promoted to the rank of staff lieutenant and remained in the Office of Human Resources Management. As a staff lieutenant, he served in the Office of Field Operations, Staffing Services, Office of Personnel, and Fiscal Services.

S/Lt. Landis completed training at the Police Executive Leadership College in 2002 and at the Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command in 2005.



Eric M. Escola

Lt. Eric M. Escola, New Philadelphia Post, retired on June 28, 2013, after nearly 37 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in October 1976 as a member of the 100th Academy Class. He earned his commission in February of the following year and was assigned to the Lisbon Post, where he was selected as Post Trooper of the Year in 1983, 1984 and 1986. As a trooper, he served at the former Akron Post, where he was again selected as Post Trooper of the Year in 1988; and the Canton and Massillon Posts. In 1998, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant and transferred to the New Philadelphia Post and served as an assistant post commander. In 2001, he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and remained at the New Philadelphia Post, where he served as the post commander.

He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration from Malone College in 1992.



Christopher L. Johnson

Lt. Christopher L. Johnson, Steubenville Post, retired on May 31, 2013, after 24 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in May 1989 as a member of the 118th Academy Class. He earned his commission in November of that year and was assigned to the St. Clairsville Post, where in 1993 he earned the Ace Award for excellence in auto larceny enforcement. In 1999, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant and transferred to the Steubenville Post where he served as an assistant post commander. In 2007, he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and remained at the Steubenville Post, where he served as the post commander. He completed training at Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command in 2008.



Gary D. Lewis Jr.

Lt. Gary D. Lewis Jr., Office of Special Operations, retired on June 14, 2013, after more than 21 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in January 1992 as a member of the 122nd Academy Class. He earned his commission in June of that year and was assigned to the Mt. Gilead Post. In 1997, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant and transferred to the Findlay Post, where he served as an assistant post commander. In 1998, he transferred to the Marion Post, where he earned a Certificate of Recognition. Later that year, he transferred to the Patrol's Public Affairs Unit where he served as the Patrol's spokesperson. In 2001, he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and served as commander of the Lancaster Post. As a lieutenant, he has also served in Executive Protection, Columbus District Headquarters, Columbus Metro Post Commander, and Security Services.

Lt. Lewis earned an Associate of Arts degree in visual communication from the Art Institute of Pittsburg in 1989; completed training at the FBI National Academy in March 2003; earned a Bachelor of Science degree in public safety management from Franklin University in 2010; and is completing a Master of Science degree in criminal justice from Michigan State University.



Kevin E. Thomas

Lt. Kevin E. Thomas, Defiance Post, retired on August 9, 2013, after more than 27 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in January 1986 as a cadet dispatcher assigned to the Sandusky Post. He became a member of the 116th Academy Class in April 1987. He earned his commission in September of that year and was assigned to the Lebanon Post. In 1989, he transferred to the Fremont Post, where later that year he received a Certificate of Recognition and in 1992 was selected Post Trooper of the Year. In 1994, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant and transferred to the Lima Post, where he served as an assistant post commander. As a sergeant, he served at the Toledo, Bowling Green and Swanton Posts. In 2011, he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and transferred to the Defiance Post where he served as post commander.

Lt. Thomas completed the Administrative Officer's Course at the Southern Police Institute in 2000.



most recent assignment at the Toledo Post. While at the Toledo Post, he was selected as Post Trooper of the Year in 1997, 1999, 2007 and 2008; and in 2004 he received the Robert E. Chiaramonte Humanitarian Award, which recognizes officers who are dedicated to humanitarian causes, both on the highway and in their communities.

William A. Davis Jr.

Tpr. William A. Davis Jr., Chardon Post, retired on June 14, 2013, after more than 27 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in October 1985 as a member of the 115th Academy Class. He earned his commission in March of the following year and was assigned to the New Philadelphia Post. In 1987, he transferred to his most recent assignment at the Chardon Post, where he was selected as Post Trooper of the Year in 1994 and 2000.

He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in social science from Baldwin-Wallace College in 1979.



John J. Lumpcik Jr.

Sgt. John J. Lumpcik Jr., Xenia Post, retired on June 20, 2013, after more than 32 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in October 1980 as a member of the 109th Academy Class. He earned his commission in February of the following year and was assigned to the New Philadelphia Post; where in 1989 he was selected as Post Trooper of the Year. In 1990, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant and remained at the Xenia Post to serve as an assistant post commander. In 2012, he transferred to the Patrol's training academy and served as a training instructor. In February 2013, he transferred to his most recent assignment at the Xenia Post.



Gary O. Neitzelt

Tpr. Gary O. Neitzelt, Columbus District Licensing and Commercial Standards Unit, retired on June 1, 2013, after more than 35 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in March 1978 as a member of the 103rd Academy Class. He earned his commission in July of that year and was assigned to the Marion Post. In 1980, he transferred to the St. Clairsville Post; where in 1987 and 1988 he earned a Certificate of Recognition. In 1990, he transferred to the Circleville Post, before transferring to his most recent assignment at the Columbus District Licensing and Commercial Standards Unit in 1992.



Timothy J. Coll

Tpr. Timothy J. Coll, Toledo Post, retired on August 16, 2013, after more than 23 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in January 1990 as a member of the 119th Academy Class. He earned his commission in June of that year and was assigned to the Defiance Post. In 1992, he transferred to his



Curtese T. Poole

Tpr. Curtese T. Poole, Columbus Metro Post, entered disability retirement on June 30, 2013, after more than four years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in May 2009 as a member of the 149th Academy Class. He earned his commission in December of that year and was assigned to the Dayton



Post. As a trooper, he has served at the Marysville Post, Capitol Operations at the Ohio Statehouse and at the Columbus Metro Post.

Joseph A. Truchan

Tpr. Joseph A. Truchan, Warren District Licensing and Commercial Standards, retired on August 9, 2013, after more than 31 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in May 1982 as a cadet dispatcher assigned to the Cambridge Post. He became a member of the 113th Academy Class in April 1984. He earned his commission in September of that year and was assigned to the Warren Post. In 2001, he transferred to the Warren District Licensing and Commercial Standards Unit. In 2008, he returned to the Warren Post, before returning to his most recent assignment at the Warren District Licensing and Commercial Standards Unit in 2009.



Vilay Sayarath

Tpr. Vilay Sayarath, Bowling Green Post, entered disability retirement on June 30, 2013, after more than 12 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in March 2001 as a member of the 137th Academy Class. He earned his commission in September of that year and was assigned to the Swanton Post. In 2002, he transferred to his most recent assignment at the Bowling Green Post.



Marilyn R. McHugh

Dispatcher Marilyn R. McHugh, Van Wert Dispatch Center, retired on June 30, 2013, after more than 11 years with the Patrol. She joined the Patrol in April 2002 as a dispatcher and has been assigned to the Van Wert Dispatch Center throughout her career.



Patrice M. Snelling

Dispatcher Patrice M. Snelling, Lancaster Dispatch Center, retired on July 31, 2013, after 12 years with the Patrol. She joined the Patrol in July 2001 as a dispatcher. In her career, she also served at the Granville Dispatch Center.



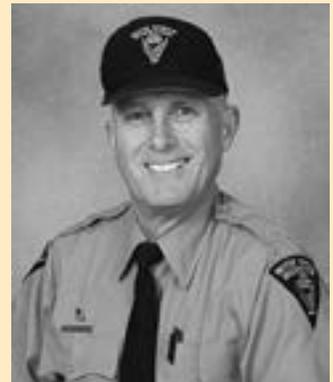
Terry A. Wilson

Dispatcher Terry A. Wilson, Batavia Dispatch Center, retired on July 31, 2013, after more than 29 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in April 1984 as a dispatcher assigned to the Batavia Dispatch Center. In 1986, he transferred to the Georgetown Post, before returning to the Batavia Dispatch Center in 1992. He was selected as Post Dispatcher of the Year in 1987, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1993, 1995, 2000, and 2002 and District Dispatcher of the Year in 1989 and 2002.



Robert M. Montgomery

Motor Vehicle Inspector Robert M. Montgomery, Wilmington District, retired on July 8, 2013, after more than 44 years with the Patrol. He retired as a trooper in April 1994 and then returned to public service as a Load Limit Inspector in July 1996. In July 1997, he was promoted to Motor Vehicle Inspector, where he remained until his recent retirement. In his career, Montgomery has been assigned to the Batavia, Hamilton and Georgetown Posts, Wilmington District Headquarters and Cincinnati Operations.



Suzanne K. Bausman

Administrative Professional 1 Suzanne K. Bausman, Findlay District Headquarters, retired on June 28, 2013, after more than 15 years with the Patrol. She joined the Patrol in October 1997 as a dispatcher at the Findlay Post. In 2006, she transferred to Findlay District Headquarters as a stationary load limit inspector. Later that year, she transferred to an Administrative Professional 1 and remained at the Findlay District Headquarters.



Patricia A. Miller

Administrative Professional 1 Patricia A. Miller, Office of Special Operations, Security Services, retired on July 12, 2013, after 10 years with the Patrol. She joined the Patrol in March 2003 as an Office Assistant 2 assigned to the Patrol's Training Academy. In 2005, she was promoted to an Administrative Professional 1 and transferred to the Office of Special Operations, Expo Center. She also served in the Patrol's Capital Operations at the Statehouse.



Julie A. Kaiser

Administrative Professional 4 Julie A. Kaiser, Ashland Post, retired on August 30, 2013, after 30 years of service. She joined the Patrol in April 2000 as a dispatcher assigned to the Wooster Post, where she was selected as Post Dispatcher of the Year in 2001 and 2003. In 2005, she was promoted to an Administrative Professional 4 and transferred to the Massillon District Headquarters. In 2013, she transferred to her most recent assignment at the Ashland Post.



Ross B. Moser

Maintenance Repair Worker 2 Ross B. Moser, Defiance Post, retired on May 31, 2013, after more than 40 years with the Patrol. He joined the Patrol in January 1973 as a trooper and retired from service in August 2000. He returned to state service that same year as a maintenance repair worker 2 and has been assigned to the Defiance Post throughout his career.



Paul W. Metts Jr.

Maintenance Repair Worker 2 Paul W. Metts Jr., Canfield Post, retired July 26, 2013, after more than 42 years with the Patrol. He retired as a trooper in January 1997. He returned to public service as a Maintenance Repair Worker 2 in February 2000 and has been assigned to the Canfield Post since that time.



Richard N. Rucker

Program Administrator 3 Richard N. Rucker, Office of Field Operations, retired on July 27, 2013, after more than 41 years of state service. He joined the Patrol in March 1972 as a trooper and retired from service at the rank of major in 1998. He returned to state service that same year as a deputy inspector for the Inspector General's Office. In 2001, he transferred to the Division of Emergency Medical Service (EMS) as a lead investigator. Several months later, he was promoted to Chief of Operations and in 2003, he was named Deputy Director of EMS. In 2011, he returned to the Patrol as a Special Projects Coordinator in the Office of Field Operations.



We are moving closer to the celebration of the 80th anniversary of the Ohio State Highway Patrol. For some of us this is not a very long period of time; for others it may seem to be a journey from the stone age. Each one of us has a personal perspective about how long the Patrol has been functioning. In a personal way I realize that I was 8 years old when the first patrolmen rode out on their Harleys. My good friend and mentor, Retired Colonel Rpbert Chiamonte, was much older—he was 13. Many aspects of life have changed since 1933 but the mission of the Patrol and the core values by which each person was called upon to function and live have not changed.

While engaged in some Bible study the other day I came across the timeline in the introductory pages. For some strange reason, I noted that the Great Wall of China was built in 215 BC. That is a long time ago for a wall to be built and still be standing. Then I noted the Old Testament Scriptures were translated into Greek (called the Septuagint) in about 255 BC. That means that the principles upon which the core values are based have been in written form for well over 2300 years.

Generation after generation has known what is “right” and what is “wrong.” The guidelines for living meaningful and peaceful lives have been known even if not practiced. During the 80 years that the Patrol has been serving the citizens of Ohio many techniques have changed but the mission and commitment to core values have not

changed. Methods of communicating have changed from the flag on the mail box to radios and cell phones, but the practice of putting service above self has remained constant.

For some strange reason I cannot now understand, I gave up motorcycle riding when I was married. About 40 years later one of our daughters and her finance purchased a bike and asked me to pick it up for them at the local motorcycle shop. I eagerly agreed to do so and went with confidence to the store on a Saturday morning ready to jump on the bike and speed home with it. Upon inspection I noted that the gear shift was missing from the side of the gas tank. When I commented upon that to the very young salesman he just stared at me.

“Are you sure that you have ridden a bike, sir?” I assured him that I had, but in the good old days the gear shift was a handle on the side of the gas tank and the clutch was a pedal on the left side for the foot to operate. He could not believe what I was telling him and went into a detailed explanation of how the bike operated. Then we both agreed that even though the mechanics might change the art of riding remained the same—lean into the turn and don’t forget to put your feet down when you come to a stop.

Yes, the Harley in Heritage Hall looks like the bike I rode when I was younger, which is different from the one I ride now, but the principles of riding remain the same. The guidelines given in the Old Testament may have some dust on them because of age, but



they are relevant for today. The core values by which the Patrolmen lived back in 1933 may not have been as well articulated as they are today, but they have been guiding principles for all these 80 years—and will continue to do so as we move into the future.

May we embrace the changes which permit more efficiency, but never depart from the mission of making Ohio safer each day by holding fast to the core values which are the trademark of the Patrol.

Be assured of the prayers and support of all three of your Chaplains, Kelly, Phil and myself.

Respectfully,

Richard D. Ellsworth
State Chaplain

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